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Applicant	Lars Severinsson
Serial No. 10/661,244	Filing Date: September 12, 2003
Title of Application:	A Parking Lock
Confirmation No. 8696	Art Unit: 3683
Examiner	

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Petition to Accord Filing Date to Items Alleged Omitted

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to accord the Filing Date of September 12, 2003 to the enclosed sheet of drawings (showing Figure 8) attached as Exhibit 1. This Petition is filed in response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filed Under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) mailed December 8, 2003 (copy attached as Exhibit 2), which alleges that the enclosed sheet of drawings was not filed with the original application papers. Applicant contends that the enclosed sheets of drawings was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office with the nonprovisional application papers.

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MPEP 503 provides that "[a] postcard receipt which itemizes and properly identifies the items which are being filed serves as <u>prima facie</u> evidence of receipt with USPTO of all items listed thereon on the date stamped thereon by the USPTO." Exhibit 3 is a copy of such a postcard duly stamped by the Patent Office for the subject application. The postcard itemizes "7 Sheets of Drawings" and includes an Express Mail identifier. The postcard includes an indication of the filing date accorded to the application of September 12, 2003. Apparently, the U.S. Patent Office currently has in its possession only 6 sheets of drawings (showing Figures 1-7 and 9-12). In accordance with MPEP 503, Applicant submits that Exhibit 3 is <u>prima facie</u> evidence that 7 sheets of drawings (including the sheet of drawings attached as Exhibit 1) were filed with the application on September 12, 2003 and should be accorded the same filling date.

A petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed herewith. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4516.

Respectfully submitted,

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Filing of Missing Parts

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby encloses for filing in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted dated December 8, 2003 (copy enclosed), the Declaration of the Inventor executed on February 2, 2004, and payment of the required fee in the amount of \$130.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this Application to Account No. 19-4516.

Respectfully submitted.

Wesley W. Whitmyer, Jr., Registration No. 33,558

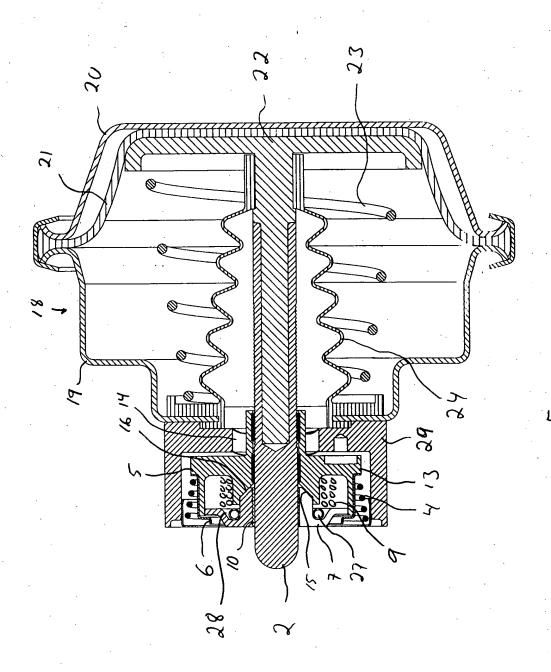
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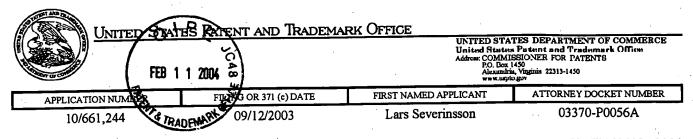
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Figure(s) 8 described in the specification.
- 1. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit must be filed within TWO MONTHS of th date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.
- II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date must be fil d within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice.

Applicant is advised that generally the filing fee required for an application is the filing fee in effect on the filing date accorded the application and that payment of the requisite basic filing fee on a date later than the filing date of the application requires payment of a surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)). To avoid processing delays and payment of a surcharge, applicant should submit any balance due for the requisite filing fee based on the later filing date

being requested when submitting the omitted items(s) and the petition (and petition fee) requesting the later filing date.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within TWO MONTHS of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. THIS TWO MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b). In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (i.e., the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabeled drawing figures, is required. A copy of the drawing figures showing the proposed changes in red ink should accompany with any drawing changes. Such amendment and/or correction to the drawing figures, if necessary, should be by way of preliminary amendment submitted prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity

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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of New Application Transmittal, Fee Transmittal, Patent Application (including Application Cover Sheet), 9 pages of specification, 3 pages of claims, and 1 page of abstract), 7 Sheets of Drawings, Information Disclosure Statement with full texts of the cited art, Preliminary Amendment, PCT/SE02/00459 cover sheet and \$750.00 Check.

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